
STRATEGIC NATIONAL STOCKPILE

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I. INTRODUCTION

The Strategic National Stockpile (SNS) of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is a federally owned and managed national repository of antibiotics, antivirals, chemical antidotes, antitoxins, life support pharmaceuticals, vaccines, intravenous administration supplies, airway maintenance supplies, masks, pandemic countermeasures and medical/surgical items established by Congress to supplement and re-supply state and local supplies of these critical medical items in the event of an incident anywhere in the United States using a weapon of mass destruction (chemical, biological, radiological or explosive) or a major natural or technological disaster. This plan provides for the request, receipt, staging, storage, repackaging, distribution, dispensing, retrieval and return of any unused assets of this stockpile or any pandemic countermeasures.

II. MISSION

The mission of the Strategic National Stockpile is to rapidly and safely provide antibiotics, antivirals, chemical antidotes, antitoxins, life support pharmaceuticals, vaccines, intravenous administration supplies, airway maintenance supplies, masks and medical/surgical items in a rapid and safe manner supplement and re-supply any community in South Carolina in the event that local capacities are exceeded or are about to be exceeded due to a weapon of mass destruction or a major natural or technological disaster.

III. SITUATION AND ASSUMPTIONS

A. Situation:

1. A mass casualty event has occurred or is imminent in South Carolina involving a weapon of mass destruction or a major natural or technological disaster has occurred.
2. The capacity of South Carolina's local and state assets to meet the demand for pharmaceuticals, vaccines, medical supplies, or other related equipment is inadequate or has been exceeded.

B. Assumptions:

1. The State Emergency Operations Plan will be activated.
2. The State Emergency Operations Center will be activated at Operating Condition 1 (OPCON 1) or the appropriate Operating Condition.
3. The Governor will declare a State of Emergency and invoke the South Carolina Emergency Health Powers Act.
4. The South Carolina Emergency Management Division will activate the Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement and the Emergency Management Assistance Compact.
5. All infrastructures including communications are intact.
6. The arrival of the Strategic National Stockpile materials from the federal stockpile to the state receiving, staging and storage site (RSS) warehouse will occur within 12 hours once the CDC decision to deploy has been made and delivery to the local Health Regions will not occur until 18 to 24 hours after the federal decision to deploy.
7. Regional planning is based upon the eight South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control Public Health Regions. Each of these Regions geographically contains four to ten counties.

IV. CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS

- A. The South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control is responsible for developing, coordinating and maintaining procedures to support Strategic National Stockpile operations in South Carolina in conjunction with ESF-8 (Health and Medical Services) and South Carolina Emergency Management Division. The South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control is responsible for the coordination of all Strategic National Stockpile administrative, management, planning, training, preparedness/mitigation, response, and recovery activities in South Carolina to include developing, coordinating, and maintaining the Strategic National Stockpile Standard Operating Procedures.

B. Activation

1. Requesting the Strategic National Stockpile

The decision to deploy the Strategic National Stockpile will be a collaborative effort between local, state, and federal officials. After

the recognition of a potential or actual Weapons Mass Destruction event or a major natural or technological disaster that may or will exceed local medical supplies, the local Health Department along with the Region Health Director will contact the Office of Public Health Preparedness Director of Emergency Management. The initial recognition of this event may occur at the state level by the Department of Health and Environmental and as such the notification will be made from that point. A strategic policy group comprised of the Governor, the South Carolina Emergency Management Director, and the Commissioner of the Department of Health and Environmental Control will be convened to determine if the Strategic National Stockpile should be requested. If federal assets are required the Commissioner of the Department of Health and Environmental Control with the consent of the governor will submit a formal request to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for the deployment of the Strategic National Stockpile in South Carolina.

2. Consultation

Once the Department of Health and Environmental Control Commissioner, or designee, has requested Strategic National Stockpile assets, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Director's Emergency Operations Center (DEOC) will initiate a conference call to the Commissioner of the Department of Health and Environmental Control and other Federal, state and local officials to determine if an event threatens the public's health and if the state has the capacity and adequate resources to respond. If the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services or his designee decides that the event threatens the public's health and that the on-site capacity and resources have or will be strained or exhausted a request will be made for a copy of the SC Strategic National Stockpile Plan. Upon receipt of the SC Strategic National Stockpile Plan, the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services or his designee will order the deployment of the Strategic National Stockpile "12-Hour Push Package" to the SC Strategic National Stockpile Receiving, Staging and Storage (RSS) site as designated by the Commissioner of the Department of Health and Environmental Control. After notification of the deployment of the Strategic National Stockpile assets the Governor will convene the Public Health Emergency Plan committee to invoke the "SC Emergency Health Powers Act" and declare a "State of Emergency".

C. Local Response

1. In conjunction with the affected Region(s) Health Director, county emergency management officials will determine if local and state

medical supplies will be inadequate or exhausted and if federal assets in the form of the Strategic National Stockpile will be needed to manage the weapons of mass destruction (WMD), or major natural or technological event. The Region Health Director after consultation with the county emergency management officials will request the initial Strategic National Stockpile “12-Hour Push Package” and any additional specific Strategic National Stockpile assets that are needed to insure a continual supply of medications and medical supplies to manage casualties until the event has reached the point that the operation may be scaled down. The Health Regions and City of Columbia Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) Cities Readiness Initiative (CRI) will coordinate with county governments to provide for support at the Region Distribution site and dispensing sites. This support will include but not limited to transport of patients and materiel, security, traffic control, medical triage and prophylaxis dispensing.

The Health Regions will coordinate with county emergency management officials to report to ESF-8 (Health and Medical Services) at the state emergency operations center the number of people treated, given prophylactic medication and sent home, the number of treated and transferred to hospitals or other treatment centers. The projected number of people still requiring treatment is to be reported also. These numbers will be reported on a regular basis determined by the particular incident. In conjunction with the Health Region, the county will maintain and provide lists of county medical resources.

The Public Health Region personnel assess the situation (both pre- and post-event), and in coordination with local emergency management officials, develop strategies to respond to the emergency. In coordination with The Office of Public Health Preparedness and the Strategic National Stockpile Pharmacist, the Health Region personnel request assets from the Strategic National Stockpile as described in the “Requesting the Strategic National Stockpile” section above.

2. The Health Region Strategic National Stockpile plan identifies a Region Distribution Site that serves as a storage site for SNS medical assets prior to transferring to the points of dispensing (PODS) and a first responder point of dispensing that is separate and distinct from the public points of dispensing. The Region SNS plan will provide for on-site security at the Region Distribution Site, traffic control for delivery vehicles to the points of dispensing/vaccination and security in transport to the points of dispensing.

3. The Health Region Strategic National Stockpile and City of Columbia MSA CRI plans identify adequate public/ private points of dispensing to prophylax the entire population within 48 hours. The Region Health Director (or designee) will insure that symptomatic individuals are directed and/or transferred to treatment facilities, guidelines are followed to determine whether an individual needs prophylactic drugs, individuals are counseled on the threat/risk of the drug, potential contraindications in individuals are identified, guidelines for correct dosage based on age and weight are provided, proper documentation is maintained identifying individual that is receiving the drug, lot number, expiration date, and amount of drug received, and that the individuals who receive a drug are properly counseled on how the drug is to be taken, duration of treatment and expected side effects. The Region Health Director (or designee) will be the lead official at the public points of dispensing. Large employers, that meet the requirements to serve as a point of dispensing/vaccination for their employees and employee's family will identify the lead official at the employer's closed dispensing site and that person will be listed in the Region SNS plan. The Region Strategic National Stockpile and CRI plans will also provide for on-site security and traffic control at the public points of dispensing/vaccination. Region SNS and CRI plans will identify how traffic control and security will be provided at the large employer closed dispensing/vaccination site.

D. Receipt

Upon receiving notification of the deployment of the Strategic National Stockpile assets by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the Department of Health and Environmental Control will request the following resources to support this plan through the State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC): warehouse management and inventory tracking, on-site security, transportation and security during transport, and communication. The Commissioner of the Department of Health and Environmental Control has predetermined a Strategic National Stockpile Receiving, Staging and Storage (RSS) site for the receipt of all Strategic National Stockpile assets. When the Strategic National Stockpile "12- Hour Push-Package" arrives at the Receiving, Staging and Storage (RSS) site, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention liaison for the Strategic National Stockpile will immediately transfer custody of the Strategic National Stockpile assets to the State of South Carolina. The SC Strategic National Stockpile Pharmacist or designee is designated by the Commissioner of the Department of Health and Environmental Control to officially accept the custody of the Strategic National Stockpile assets from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for the State of South Carolina at the Receiving, Staging and Storage (RSS) site.

H. Staging

Once custody of the assets have been signed for by the South Carolina Strategic National Stockpile Pharmacist or designee and transferred to the State of South Carolina at the Receiving, Staging and Storage (RSS) site, these assets will be off loaded and staged. Strategic National Stockpile shipping containers will be arranged in a color-coded schematic by product type and container number. Non-containerized materials will be arranged in an area separate but adjacent to the containerized materials. Like items will be grouped together.

I. Distribution

While the Strategic National Stockpile assets are being staged at the state Receiving, Staging and Storage (RSS) site, the Region Health Director or designee in conjunction with local emergency management officials will request the supplies that are needed to replenish exhausted local inventories. The intravenous medicines, IV administration supplies, fluids, life support medicines airway equipment, antidotes and symptomatic treatment material for casualties; and medical or surgical items for treating casualties from a WMD event will be transported from the Receiving, Staging and Storage (RSS) SITE to treatment facilities within each Region that have been identified in the Health Region Strategic National Stockpile plan. In the event the treatment center cannot accept the materials, the medical supplies will be delivered to the Region Distribution site. All control substances will be transferred to treatment centers that are properly registered to accept these substances by the federal Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA). Initial supplies of post exposure prophylaxis packages will be delivered to pre-identified Region Distribution sites. The numbers of regimens needed has been determined based upon the total populations of the Health Region. Additional supplies of post exposure prophylaxis will be shipped upon request to the affected Region. The Region Distribution site will distribute these regimens to the identified first responder site, any facility with a confined population with pharmaceutical services for treatment of residents/staff, staff and staff family, the closed large employer point of dispensing/vaccination and to the mass public points of dispensing/vaccination for dispensing/administration to the general public.

The Region Distribution sites will meet the same specifications as the Receiving, Staging and Storage (RSS) site and will serve as alternate Receiving, Staging and Storage (RSS) sites. These distribution sites are located in each Health Region. The Health Region Strategic National Stockpile plan will provide for necessary support to off load the shipment, manage and track the inventory, on-site security; and transportation and

transportation security of medical supplies to the predetermined receiving hospital or to the predetermined dispensing site. The Region Health Director (or designee) will be the lead official at the Region Distribution site.

J. Continuation of Supplies

While the initial Strategic National Stockpile “12-Hour Push Package” is being distributed from the Region Distribution Site, the Region Health Director in conjunction with local/county emergency management officials will determine if additional supplies of specific items are needed. These items are requested from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Division of Strategic National Stockpile and are supplied through the Managed Inventory (MI) program. The Managed Inventory pharmaceuticals, vaccines, medical supplies, equipment and other items may arrive in bulk or repackaged regimens and will be shipped to the Receiving, Staging and Storage (RSS) site. Additional pharmaceuticals and/or medical supplies not available through the Strategic National Stockpile Managed Inventory program may be procured through the State of South Carolina emergency procurement procedures utilizing national resources such as RX Response. In an event when the causative factors have been identified, the Region Health Director in conjunction with local/county emergency management officials and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Director can determine the specific supplies needed, the first shipment received may be from the Managed Inventory and not from the multi-hazard “12-Hour Push Package.” The Region Distribution sites will report continually to the Receiving, Staging and Storage (RSS) site the number and type of prophylactic regimens dispensed, the number and types of Strategic National Stockpile assets transferred to the treatment centers and the projected number of additional assets that will be needed. The frequency of these reports will be determined by the specific incident.

K. Dispensing/Vaccination Sites

The Health Region Strategic National Stockpile plan and the City of Columbia MSA CRI plan will be developed by the Region Health Director in conjunction with local and county emergency management agencies. Each Health Region Strategic National Stockpile plan and the City of Columbia MSA CRI plan will identify adequate points of dispensing to prophylax the entire population within 48 hours of receipt of the first shipment of asset from the RSS site. The Region Health Director (or designee) will insure that symptomatic individuals are directed and or transferred to treatment facilities, guidelines are followed to determine whether an individual needs prophylactic drugs, individuals are counseled on the threat/risk of the drug, potential contraindications in individuals are identified, guidelines for correct dosage based on age and weight are provided, proper documentation is

maintained identifying individual that is receiving the drug, lot number, expiration date, and amount of drug received, and that the individuals who receive a drug are properly counseled on how the drug is to be taken, duration of treatment and expected side effects. The Region Health Director (or designee) will be the lead official at the mass public point of dispensing. Large employer's that serve as points of dispensing will identify the lead official at the employer's closed point of dispensing and that person will be listed in the Region SNS plan. Facilities with confined populations will provide to the Region distribution site the number of needed regimens and will follow their usual and customary medication dispensing procedures for patients/residents and staff. The Health Region Strategic National Stockpile plan and CRI plan will also provide for on-site security and traffic control at the mass public point of dispensing and will identify how traffic control and security will be provided at the large employer closed point of dispensing.

The DHEC Region 3 and City of Columbia CRI plans will coordinate planning with the Charlotte/ Mecklenburg County North Carolina CRI to insure adequate coverage of York County South Carolina and the Catawba Indian Nation whose population is included under the Charlotte metropolitan statistical area and is funded as a part of the Charlotte CRI.

L. Retrieval

All unopened cases of unused assets of the Strategic National Stockpile program remain the property of the Division of Strategic National Stockpile. These unused supplies must be returned to the Region Distribution Sites by the local points of dispensing, large employer, confined population facilities and hospitals for return to the Receiving, Staging and Storage (RSS) Site to be inventoried and returned to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Division of Strategic National Stockpile.

M. Communication

The communications function ensures the timely flow of information used in the decision making process as well as in operational effectiveness. The communications function involves three distinct areas: healthcare communication, logistical communication and available communication modalities.

N. Security and Transport

The security and transport functions will be coordinated through the State Emergency Operations Center Operations Group. Security will be provided for all personnel, material, and equipment involved in the management and distribution of Strategic National Stockpile assets. Security to be provided includes but is not limited to access in and out of the Receiving, Staging and

Storage (RSS) Site facility, security within the Receiving, Staging and Storage facility; and traffic control within and to and from the Receiving, Staging and Storage (RSS) Site facility. The South Carolina Air and/or Army National Guards have been tasked with providing security for the Strategic National Stockpile assets at the Receiving Staging and Storage site. The South Carolina Law Enforcement Division has been tasked with providing security in transport to the Receiving, Staging and Storage (RSS) site and from the Receiving, Staging and Storage (RSS) site to the Region Distribution site and with coordinating security with local law enforcement at the Region Distribution site. The Region SNS plan will provide for security at the Region Distribution site, security and transport to the points of dispensing and at the mass public points of dispensing. Provision of security at the large employer closed dispensing sites will be identified in the Region/CRI SNS plans. If repackaging is necessary prior to distribution from the Receiving, Staging and Storage (RSS) Center site, SLED will provide security in transport from the Receiving, Staging and Storage (RSS) site to the repackager and back to the Receiving, Staging and Storage (RSS) site. The Department of Health and Environmental Control Drug Control Pharmacists are tasked with providing security and transportation of any controlled substances.

O. Repackaging

In the event that the prophylactic medication required to treat the biologic agent is not available in the unit of use packaging in the 12-Hour push package or the state receives bulk medication from the Managed Inventory (MI), the bulk medication will be repackaged into unit of use containers by an off-site re-packager prior to distribution from the Receiving, Staging and Storage (RSS) site.

V. **RESPONSIBILITIES**

A. Department of Health and Environmental Control

1. Develop, coordinate and maintain written plans to implement the Strategic National Stockpile operations in South Carolina on both State and Regional level.
2. Develop and maintain mutual support relationships with other governmental entities, professional associations, volunteer organizations and other private services that may assist during a Weapons Mass Destruction (WMD), natural or technological disaster.

3. Identify, coordinate and credential personnel necessary to deploy the Strategic National Stockpile.
4. Identify and establish locations for receiving, repackaging, staging, storage, distributing and dispensing the Strategic National Stockpile assets.
5. Identify and coordinate with other health care providers other sources of pharmaceuticals and medical equipment/supplies.
6. Develop and maintain dosing and dispensing guidelines and procedures for the prophylactic drugs contained in the Strategic National Stockpile.
7. Assure that Department of Health and Environmental Control Health Regions develop Strategic National Stockpile plans for the management and distribution of the medical supplies and medications in the Strategic National Stockpile “12-Hour Push Package”, the Managed Inventory, Pandemic countermeasures and other pharmaceutical/vaccine or medical material.
8. Identify, train, and assign Department of Health and Environmental Control personnel to implement Strategic National Stockpile plan.
9. Notify all Strategic National Stockpile supporting agencies upon implementation of the Strategic National Stockpile plan.
10. Develop mutual support relationships with professional associations and other private services and volunteer organizations that may assist during emergencies or disasters.
11. Coordinate and direct the activation and deployment of state agencies, volunteer health/medical personnel through SCSERV, the emergency system for advance registration of volunteer health professionals (ESAR-VHP) and the eight Regional Medical Reserve Corps, supplies, equipment and provide certain direct resources under the control of the Department of Health and Environmental Control.
12. Develop and conduct drills and exercises to coordinate emergency medical care in disaster situations requiring Strategic National Stockpile assets.
13. Assure that the procedure described in section IV.E is in place for requesting the Strategic National Stockpile “12-Hour Push Package” and “Managed Inventory” from the Centers for Disease Control and

Prevention.

14. Coordinate requesting and consultation phases of the Strategic National Stockpile with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Division of Strategic National Stockpile.
15. Insure that required information is available for the consultation phase with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. This information includes but is not limited to the following: current or projected casualties, projected needs based on population, presence of an Strategic National Stockpile plan, hospital capacities at the time of the event including Intensive Care Unit beds and ventilators; other state/local resources such as pharmacy distributors, oxygen suppliers, nearby hospital and alternate care sites, other stockpiles of pharmaceuticals; and a plan to receive, repackage prophylactic oral antibiotics.
16. Coordinate need for initiating any waiver of rules and regulations regarding licensing of drug distribution or dispensing outlets.
17. Coordinate the verification of volunteer medical personnel through the South Carolina ESAR-VHP program.
18. Accept custody of the Strategic National Stockpile assets from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.
19. Insure all state and federal documentation available and in order to accept and distribute the Strategic National Stockpile assets and that such documentation complies with state and federal pharmacy and drug control regulations.
20. Maintain lists of points of contact with all agencies and organizations involved with the warehouse management, inventory control, on-site security, transport, transport security, distribution, dispensing, retrieval and return to Centers for Disease Control and Prevention of Strategic National Stockpile assets.
21. Provide all inventory control records and distribution records of Strategic National Stockpile assets as required by Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.
22. Maintain all expense records associated with deployment of the Strategic National Stockpile for possible reimbursement.

23. Assess the situation and determine if a potential or actual WMD event or a major natural or technological disaster may exceed local medical supplies.
24. Facilitate the collaboration of state and local officials to determine whether to request federal assistance.
25. Request Strategic National Stockpile assets by the Department of Health and Environmental Control Commissioner with the consent of the Governor, when it is determined by state and local officials that Federal assets are required.
26. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Director's Emergency Operations Center (DEOC) upon receiving the request from South Carolina for the Strategic National Stockpile assets will initiate a conference call to the Department of Health and Environmental Control Commissioner and other Federal, State and local officials to determine if an event threatens the public health and exceeds or strains the local capacity to respond. If the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services or his designee decides that the event threatens the public's health and that the on-site capacity and resources have or will be strained or exhausted a request will be made for a copy of the SC Strategic National Stockpile Plan. Upon receipt of the SC Strategic National Stockpile Plan, the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services or his designee will order the deployment of the Strategic National Stockpile "12-Hour Push Package" or other medical material to the SC Strategic National Stockpile Receiving, Staging and Storage (RSS) site as designated by the Commissioner of the Department of Health and Environmental Control.
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27. Request deployment of the Strategic National Stockpile.
28. Notify the Department of Health and Environmental Control Region Health Directors of the deployment of the Strategic National Stockpile assets to the SC Receiving, Staging and Storage site by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and request the implementation of the Region Strategic National Stockpile plan(s).
29. Notify SEOC of the deployment of Strategic National Stockpile assets by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to the South Carolina Receiving, Staging and Storage site.
30. Notify Receiving, Staging and Storage location of expected arrival of the Strategic National Stockpile assets.

31. Notify and coordinate the agencies and organizations involved in the staging of the Strategic National Stockpile assets.
32. Notify and coordinate the agencies and organizations involved in the support of the individuals involved in the staging of the Strategic National Stockpile assets.
33. Notify and coordinate the agencies and organizations involved in the transport of the Strategic National Stockpile assets.
34. Notify Region Distribution sites and/or Region Directors of the arrival of the Strategic National Stockpile at the South Carolina Receiving, Staging and Storage warehouse. Notify the Region Distribution sites and/or Region Directors of the deployment of the Strategic National Stockpile to the Region Distribution site. Insure that the Region Dispensing sites are notified of the deployment by the Department of Health and Environmental Control Region Director.
35. Coordinate with ESF-1 (Transportation Services) transport of Strategic National Stockpile assets to the Region Distribution site(s) for distribution to the local Dispensing Sites or designated hospitals.
36. Coordinate with ESF-2 (Communications) installation of additional voice and data communications at the RSS site and other available communication modalities.
37. Coordinate with Department of Health and Environmental Control Health Regions distribution of Strategic National Stockpile supplies to designated hospitals.
38. Coordinate with Department of Health and Environmental Control Health Regions and City of Columbia MSA/CRI dispensing of Strategic National Stockpile prophylactic antibiotic regimens to the general public.
39. Coordinate with ESF-13 (Law Enforcement) and ESF-16 (Emergency Traffic Management) security for Strategic National Stockpile assets in transport to the Receiving, Staging and Storage site, from the Receiving, Staging and Storage site to the Region Distribution site, designated hospitals, and repackaging facility and back to Receiving, Staging and Storage site.
40. Provide transport and security of control substances to designated treatment centers and provide for the transfer of these control substances to treatment centers that are properly registered to accept these substances by the federal Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA).

41. Determine the need for additional medical supplies in conjunction with the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control Region Health Director and the county/local emergency management officials.
42. Provide transport of bulk pharmaceuticals to repackaging facilities.
43. Request additional supplies of specific items through the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Managed Inventory portion of the Strategic National Stockpile program and/or through other commercial sources if available.
44. Coordinate with the Department of Health and Environmental Control Health Regions follow up of individuals receiving prophylaxis to insure completion of therapy in individuals actually exposed to the biologic agent.
45. Coordinate retrieval of all unused assets of the Strategic National Stockpile program from the distribution and dispensing/ vaccination sites to the Receiving, Staging and Storage site.
46. Coordinate with Centers for Disease Control and Prevention of the return of all unused Strategic National Stockpile assets from Receiving, Staging and Storage to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.
47. Support, plan and implement mitigation measures.
48. Support requests and directives resulting from the Governor and/or Centers for Disease Control and Prevention concerning mitigation and/or re-development activities.
49. Document matters that may be needed for inclusion in agency or state/federal briefings, situation reports and action plans.
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B. Office of the Governor

1. Coordinate with the Department of Health and Environmental Control Commissioner, South Carolina Emergency Management Division Director, the Department of Health and Environmental Control Deputy Director of Health Services, the Department of Health and Environmental Control Region Health Director and the Department of Health and Environmental Control Director of Public Health Preparedness requesting the Strategic National Stockpile.

2. Authorize the Department of Health and Environmental Control Commissioner to request the Strategic National Stockpile.
3. Convene the Public Health Emergency Plan Committee to invoke the “SC Emergency Health Powers Act” and declare a “State of Emergency”

C. Office of The Adjutant General

1. South Carolina National Guard
 - a. Identify, train, and assign South Carolina National Guard personnel to maintain contact with and prepare to execute missions in support of Strategic National Stockpile and Pandemic Influenza Response activities during periods of activation.
 - b. Provide on-site security at the Receiving, Staging and Storage site for the Strategic National Stockpile assets and other medical countermeasures.
 - c. Provide personnel to perform security at the Receiving, Staging and Storage site for the Strategic National Stockpile assets and other medical countermeasures..
 - d. Provide warehouse facilities to receive, stage and store the Strategic National Stockpile assets and other medical countermeasures.
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 - e. Provide personnel to assist with the receipt, staging and storage of the Strategic National Stockpile assets and other medical countermeasures at the Receiving, Staging and Storage site.
 - f. Provide backup transportation for the Strategic National Stockpile assets to the Region Distribution Sites.
2. SC Emergency Management Division
 - a. The Director will confer with the Governor and the Department of Health and Environmental Control Commissioner to determine to request the Strategic National Stockpile.

- b. The Director will participate in the consultation phase of the Strategic National Stockpile with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.
 - c. Liaison with the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Strategic National Stockpile Technical Advisory Response Unit (TARU) member at ESF-8 (Health and Medical Services) at the SEOC.
 - d. The Director of his designee will ensure activation of the State Emergency Operations plan and the activation of the State emergency Operations Center (SEOC) at Operating Condition 1 (OpCon 1) or the appropriate Operating Condition to insure adequate support.
- C. Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation, Division of Professional and Occupational Licensing:
 - a. Assist with the temporary licensure of drug distribution and dispensing facilities.
 - b. Assist with the verification of volunteer medical personnel through the South Carolina ESAR-VHP program.
 - c. Review and approve mass drug dispensing site procedures.
- D. South Carolina Commission on Higher Education
 - a. University of South Carolina School of Pharmacy: Provide pharmacy students to assist in the repackaging of bulk quantity antibiotics into individual patient regimens.
 - b. Medical University of South Carolina School of Pharmacy: Provide pharmacy students to assist in the repackaging of bulk antibiotics into individual patient regimens.
- E. South Carolina Hospital Association: Identify hospitals to receive Strategic National Stockpile assets when local capacities are exceeded. Identify hospitals to participate in regional planning to determine local capacities for response prior to the arrival of the Strategic National Stockpile.

- F. South Carolina Medical Association: Assist with recruitment of physicians for Strategic National Stockpile dispensing site operations. These physicians will assist in determining appropriate treatment in presenting individuals.
- G. South Carolina Pharmacy Association
 - 1. Assist with recruitment and training of pharmacists for Strategic National Stockpile operations.
 - 2. Act as a warehouse or clearinghouse for pharmaceuticals other than Strategic National Stockpile assets.
- I. South Carolina Nursing Association: Assist with recruitment of nurses for Strategic National Stockpile dispensing site operations.
- J. South Carolina Department of Commerce, Aeronautics Division: Provide contingency warehouse space for storage of Strategic National Stockpile assets.
- K. South Carolina Baptist Convention: Provide meals and snacks and personnel to distribute those meals/snacks for workers staffing the Receiving Staging and Storage site.
- L. South Carolina Department of Education: Provide dispensing/vaccination sites for dispensing or administering prophylaxis to the general public.
- M. American Red Cross: Provide snacks/ liquids at dispensing sites.
- N. South Carolina Law Enforcement Division:
 - 1. Provide security in transport and escort during transport to the Receiving Staging and Storage site.
 - 2. Provide security in transport and escort during transport to the Region Distribution site. Coordinate security at the Region Distribution Site with local law enforcement.
 - 3. Provide security in transport to the repackaging facility and back to the Receiving Staging and Storage site.
- O. South Carolina Department of Transportation:

1. Provide transportation of the Strategic National Stockpile materials to the Region Distribution site.
2. Provide transportation of the Strategic National Stockpile materials to the designated treatment centers.
3. Provide transportation of Strategic National Stockpile materials to the repackaging facility and back to the Receiving Staging and Storage site.
4. Provide transportation of the return of any unused Strategic National Stockpile assets from the Region Distribution site to the Receiving, Staging, Storage site for return to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

P. South Carolina Budget and Control Board:

1. Provide additional telecommunications devices if needed for Strategic National Stockpile operations.
2. Provide for additional voice and data lines at the Receiving Staging and Storage site.

Q. Veteran's Administration Consolidated Mail Order Pharmacy: Provide repackaging of bulk pharmaceuticals into unit of dispensing packages.

R. Fort Jackson Moncrief Community Hospital: Provide repackaging of bulk pharmaceuticals into unit of dispensing packages

VII. FEDERAL INTERFACE

- A. This annex has no direct counterpart in the National Response Framework.
- B. The formation of this plan is required for receipt of the Strategic National Stockpile by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention under Title V, Emergency Preparedness and Response, section 502 of the "Homeland Security Act of 2002."